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SUBJECT: EURATOM AND THE NPT

1. WITH THE APPROACH OF THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE AND IN THE WAKE OF THE INDIAN EXPLOSION, THE NPT IS AN IMPORTANT JUNCTURE. JAPANESE RATIFICATION AS WELL AS THAT OF OTHER STATES MAY DEPEND IN NO SMALL MEASURE ON WHAT ACTION THE FIVE EURATOM NON-NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES (BELGIUM, THE FRG, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, AND THE NETHERLANDS) TAKE IN COMING WEEKS, NOW THAT RATIFICATION PROCEDURES ARE COMPLETED OR NEARLY COMPLETED IN ALL COUNTRIES EXCEPT ITALY.

2. WE CONTINUE TO HOPE THAT THE FIVE STATES WILL JOINTLY ACCEDE TO THE NPT IN THE NEAR FUTURE, IF POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THE REVIEW CONFERENCE. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WERE ENCOURAGED BY THE POSITIVE STATEMENTS REGARDING ITALIAN INTENTIONS MADE IN FOREIGN MINISTRY RUMOR'S JANUARY 23

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ADDRESS (ROME 1037) AND TO DEPARTMENT AND ACDA OFFICIALS

BY DA RIN (STATE 9355).

3. HOWEVER, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE ITALIANS ARE APPARENTLY CONTINUING TO SEEK AGREEMENT AMONG THE PARTIES TO THE IAEA-EURATOM VERIFICATION AGREEMENT 9 (THE IAEA, THE EC COMMISSION, AND THE FIVE STATES PLUS DENMARK AND IRELAND) TO A WAIVER OF ARTICLE 25(B) OF THE AGREEMENT. THIS WOULD APPEAR TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH EARLY RATIFICATION.

4. FOR BACKGROUND, THE LANGUAGE OF THE EURATOM-IAEA AGREEMENT LINKS IT TO THE NPT. MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE TWO ARE CONNECTED BY ARTICLE 25(B) OF THE AGREEMENT, WHICH STATES THAT IT "WILL REMAIN IN FORCE AS LONG AS THE STATES ARE PARTIES TO THE TREATY." THE PRESUMPTION EMBODIED IN THIS WORDING IS THAT THE AGREEMENT WILL COME INTO EFFECT WHEN ALL FIVE OF THE CONCERNED STATES BECOME PARTIES TO THE TREATY. GIVEN ARTICLE 25(B), ITALIAN RATIFICATION IS ESSENTIAL TO ENABLE THE FRG AND THE BENELUX COUNTRIES TO HAVE IAEA SAFEGUARDS ON THEIR NUCLEAR FACILITIES, THUS SATISFYING THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE III-2 OF THE TREATY AND, AFTER THEY RATIFY THE TREATY, THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER ARTICLE III-1.

5. IF 25(B) WERE SUSPENDED THE PRESSURE WHICH ITS EURATOM PARTNERS ARE ABLE TO EXERT UPON ITALY TO RATIFY WOULD BE REDUCED AND RATIFICATION MIGHT BE DELAYED. ON THE OTHER HAND, SUSPENSION WOULD FACILITATE PROMPT ACCESSION TO THE TREATY BY THE FRG IN PARTICULAR, WHICH WOULD ASSURE THE FRG OF A SEAT AS A FULL PARTICIPANT IN THE REVIEW CONFERENCE. WE ARE ALSO CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT, BY BRINGING IAEA SAFEGUARDS INTO EFFECT IN THE EURATOM NNWS, INCLUDING ITALY, SUSPENSION OF 25(B) WOULD BRING THE U.S. INTO FORMAL COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE III-2 OF THE TREATY, WHICH OBLIGES US TO SUPPLY NUCLEAR MATERIAL ONLY TO NNWS WHOSE NUCLEAR INSTALLATIONS ARE UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS.

6. FOR BONN, BRUSSELS, THE HAGUE, AND LUXEMBOURG. REQUEST YOU ASCERTAIN WHETHER ITALIANS ARE CONTINUING TO SEEK SUSPENSION OF ARTICLE 25(B). FRG HAS TOLD US (BONN 1037) THEY RULE OUT 25(B) SUSPENSION. REQUEST POSTS
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DETERMINE ATTITUDE OF OTHER HOST GOVERNMENTS TOWARD SUSPENSION. IF YOU ARE ASKED FOR U.S. ATTITUDE ON THIS ISSUE, YOU SHOULD INFORM APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS THAT WE WOULD PREFER TO SEE ALL FIVE EURATOM STATES BECOME NPT PARTIES AT AN EARLY DATE WITHOUT SUSPENSION OF ARTICLE 25(B) OF VERIFICATION AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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